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1. Katta Kurgan (39°55'N, 66°15'E) is a town with about 15 thousand inhabitants. The great majority of these are Uzbeks and the language used is Uzbek. The town's economy is based on cotton. The only significant industries in the city are the cotton gin and the cotton seed oil factory. There are no manufacturers of finished products whose quantities of end products are sufficient for exporting from Katta Kurgan.
2. Cotton is grown on irrigated lands. The irrigation system is very ancient. There have been several projects to increase the size of the system. In 1940 many people were brought to Katta Kurgan to dig new irrigation canals. Other irrigated crops which are grown for more than local use were tobacco, melons and grapes. Wheat is grown on unirrigated lands. The quantity is small but sufficient normally to preclude the necessity for bringing wheat from other areas. 50X1
3. On the attached sketch [REDACTED] the principal buildings and offices of the city. The prison is surrounded by a high wall. All kinds of criminals and political prisoners are housed in it. The garrison is an infantry group and may have as many as five thousand soldiers. The new residential district is for engineers, doctors, Communist party members, Russians and Uzbeks who come from other areas to reside in Katta Kurgan.

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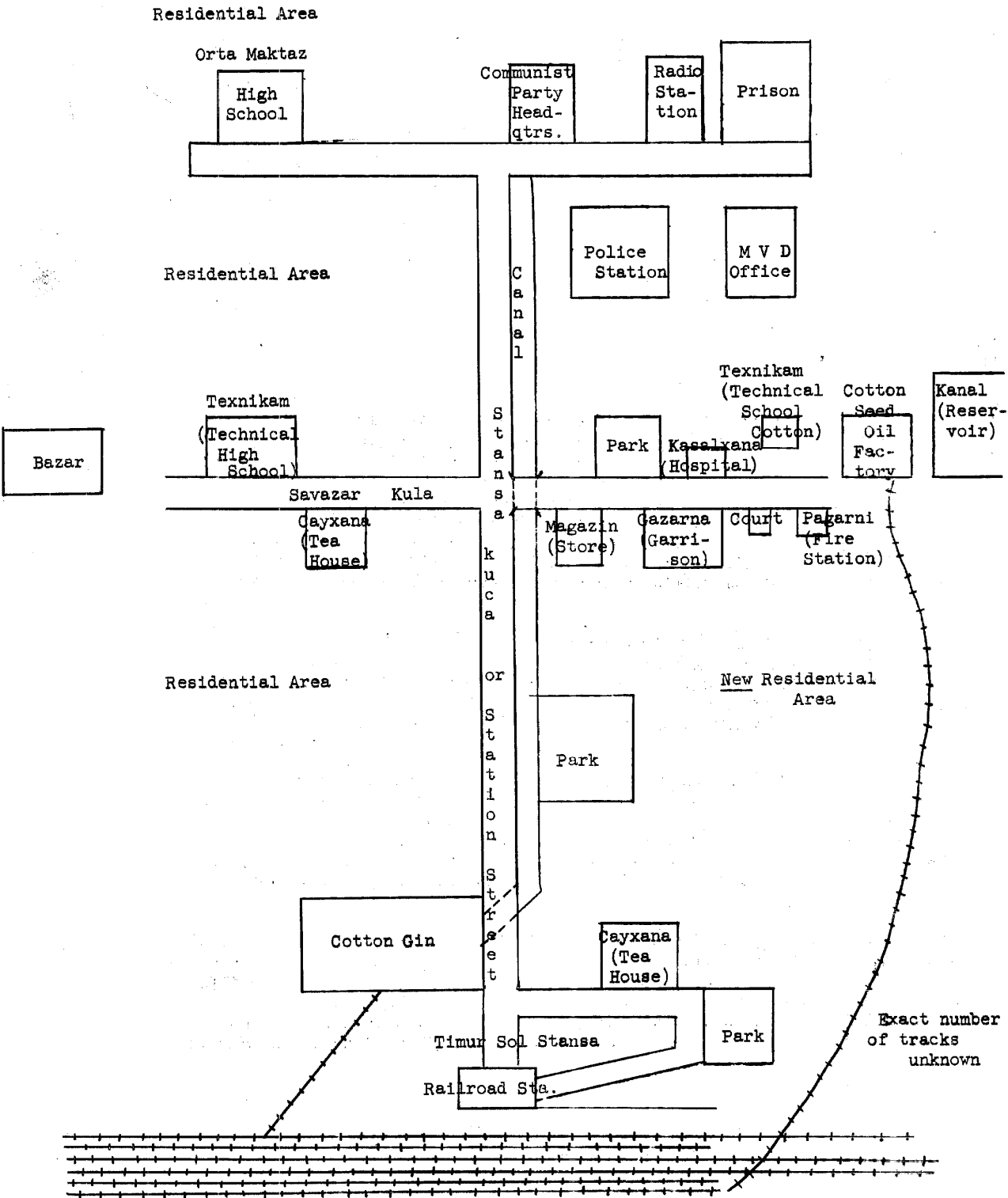
ENCLOSURE (A): Sketch, not drawn to scale, of Katta Kurgan

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